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FOR AMB VANCE FROM JOVA

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1. I SPOKE TO CASTRO Y CASTRO WHO APPRECIATED FACT THAT YOU WERE THINKING OF HIM. HE HIMSELF CONSIDERED THAT SOVIET TENTATIVE REPLY AS TO DATE SATISFACTORY. HE HAS APPROACHED OTHER MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND CLAIMS TO BE RECEIVING FAVORABLE RESPONSES. THUS HE FEELS HE IS ON ROAD TO FULFILLING CONDITIONS STATED BY COUNSELOR KROPOTOV IN OBTAINING THE "NON-OPPOSITION" IF NOT THE APPROVAL OF THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMISSION MEMBERS. HE SAID SOMEWHAT IRONICALLY THAT WHAT HE REALLY NEEDED NOW WAS MORE WHOLEHEARTED SUPPORT FROM THE U.S. I REPLIED, TELLING HIM THAT ONCE THE SOVIETS GAVE THE COMMITMENT TO PROPOSE TO STEERING COMMITTEE WHAT GOM WISHES WE WOULD BE FULLY PREPARED TO SUPPORT THE MEXICAN CANDIDACY ENTHUSIASTICALLY.

2. I OBSERVED TO HIM THAT AT RECENT SOCIAL OCCASION I HAD HAD OPPORTUNITY TO QUERY SOVIET CHARGE AS TO HIS ATTITUDE ON CND CHAIRMANSHIP AND HIS REPLY HAD BEEN THAT MATTER WAS IN MOSCOW'S HANDS AND HE WAS AWAITING RETURN OF
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AMBASSADOR TARASOV WITH FURTHER NEWS ON THIS MATTER. I POINTED

OUT THAT IN CONVERSATIONALLY RAISING THE MATTER WITH
SOVIETS I HAD IN EFFECT GONE BEYOND MY INSTRUCTIONS.
CASTRO Y CASTRO EXPRESSED GRATITUDE THAT I HAD HAD THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE THE MATTER, HOWEVER INFORMALLY
AND TENTATIVELY (AND HOWEVER INCONCLUSIVE THE SOVIET
REPLY.)
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